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Below is a recap of this week’s Board of Supervisors Meeting—

- More money for housing! Excited to repurpose funds from our Special Projects Fund for Affordable Housing. The allocation for 2018-19 is $326,642. We are also exploring ways to identify matching fund opportunities for workforce housing assistance for the hospitality industry.

- 933 Water Street SOLD! The surplus county property (in the Oxbow neighborhood) was sold for over $5.3 million. This sale will help fund the much needed new jail.

- Cannabis update—Discussed cannabis policy and set back using interactive maps staff created. Ultimately, we decided it was time for the Planning Commission to scrutinize the ordinance and return with recommendations. Like I have mentioned before, we are focused, primarily, on addressing the personal cultivation and not dispensary/retail or commercial and manufacturing. The goal is to have the first piece addressed by May and others by 2019.

Debris Removal update—

- 66% (up from 48% last week) of properties have had their debris removed, of which 56% are ready to rebuild (after debris is removed, properties must pass soil samples to be ready)

- Tentative moving target to complete Phase 2 is mid-February.

- Have questions for the US Army Corp of Engineers (USACE)? Call: (877)875-7681

- Climate Action Plan—we continue to move forward with our CAP. This week we approved the third amendment to our agreement to include additional tasks necessary to complete the CAP.

- Congratulations to Tom Feutz and Bruce McLean for being appointed to the Airport Advisory Commission. Thank you for your service!